

# LIFE notes

*LIFE prides itself on helping those in need and for being the champion for those who cannot speak but who enrich our lives and everyday make us a little more... human.*

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## Summer Fun Edition



## Star Board Member of the Month



Long-time LIFE board member Mary Montgomery is a graduate of the University of Alabama where she met her late husband, famed attorney Robert Montgomery, Jr. She is a patron of the arts, a supporter of education and a long-time advocate for children and animals.

She has rescued several dogs and made them a part of her family.

Mary and her late husband Bob were steadfast supporters of the American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial and were instrumental in its creation. In addition to her work with LIFE, Mary is actively involved in many organizations including the Robert & Mary Montgomery Armory Arts Center, where she is a founding patron. Mary serves as vice president of the Palm Beach Opera, Home Safe and was the owner, with her late husband, of the Palm Beach Institute of Contemporary Art in Lake Worth.

“Mary is a dear friend and mentor; her advice is always invaluable” said Lois Pope. “She is a true friend and an amazing woman.”

## Upcoming events

September 12, 2015

### **Countdown to Zero Adoption Event**

Presented by The Lois Pope LIFE Foundation

10 am - 6 pm

Palm Beach County

Convention Center

September 19, 2015

### **American Humane Association**

### **Hero Dog Awards**

Presented by

The Lois Pope LIFE Foundation

Beverly Hilton, Beverly Hills, CA

December 5, 2015

### **LIFE's 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual**

### **“Lady in Red” Gala**

Masquerade Risqué

Starring Howie Mandel

6:00 pm

The Mar a Lago Club

By Invitation

To learn more or to donate, visit  
[www.life-edu.org](http://www.life-edu.org) or call 561.582.8083.

## AHA CORNER



Dr. Robin  
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CEO  
of AHA

America has spoken and following nearly 1 million votes cast by animal lovers across the country and a celebrity panel of dog lovers and experts, eight courageous canines have been named finalists in the 2015 American Humane Association Hero Dog Awards™, presented by the Lois Pope LIFE Foundation.

These heroic canines each took top honors in their individual categories from a field of 171 initial nominees, and now America's voters and a celebrity judging panel will determine

which dog will take home top honors as the 2015 American Hero Dog. **The public is invited to submit one vote per day through September 7 at [www.herodogawards.org](http://www.herodogawards.org).** The eight finalists will be flown to Los Angeles to take part in the star-studded Hero Dog Awards gala on September 19 at the Beverly Hilton, and this must-watch event for animal lovers will be broadcast as a two-hour special by Hallmark Channel in October.

The eight category winners for 2015 are: **Rambo (Converse, TX)** in the Military Dogs category, **Glory (Evansville, WI)** in the Arson Dogs category, **Axel (Fredericksburg, VA)** in the Service Dogs category, **Harley (Berthoud, CO)** in the Emerging Hero Dogs category, **Dax (Ashland, MA)** in the Law Enforcement Dogs category; **Glory (Sun Valley, CA)** in the Search and Rescue Dogs category; **Chara (Waynesboro, VA)** in the Guide/Hearing Dogs category; and **Hudson (Castleton, NY)** in the Therapy Dogs category.

The final eight will each win \$2,500 for their designated charity partner and the winning 2015 American Hero Dog's charity partner will receive an additional \$5,000 for a grand total of \$7,500. Each charity partner is dedicated to celebrating and strengthening the roles of dogs in our lives, and like American Humane Association, focuses on the importance of the human-animal bond.

Dear Friends of LIFE,

I am so pleased to serve as chair of **LIFE's 22nd annual "Lady in Red" Gala** along with Tova Leidesdorf, Dr. Robert Mackler, Jan and Chip Malley and Patrick Park. This star-studded event is scheduled for **Saturday, December 5, 2015** at The Mar a Logo Club in Palm Beach with the hilarious comedian Howie Mandel. There will also be dancing to the music of Sultants of Swing and musical entertainment by the Palm Beach Symphony and the sensational Will and Anthony Nunziata.

Your support and generosity are the key to expanding LIFE/AHA programs that help to protect the voiceless and the vulnerable in our society - children and neglected animals. Through your support of the 22nd annual "Lady in Red" gala, you will help ensure that the AHA will be there when it is needed most. Please contact us at [life-edu.org](http://life-edu.org) to find out about available patron levels in support of this year's gala.

I thank you for your continued support and for helping us to make this world a better place for those in need, but more than anything else, I look forward to sharing the evening of December 5th with you.

Love,

*Lois*



Lois Pope,  
Founder &  
President of LIFE

## **LIFE's** 22nd Annual "Lady in Red" Gala *Masquerade Risqué*

*Saturday, December 5, 2015*

*The Mar a Logo Club, Palm Beach*

**For information or to request an invitation  
please call 561.582.8083 or email [life@life-edu.org](mailto:life@life-edu.org).**



Each seat purchased  
will also serve as  
entry into a drawing  
for this fabulous Mini Cooper!

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